LOCAL NEWS.

ROBBERY.-The junk store of Dreifus & Co., corner of King and Water streets, was entered last night through a window opening on an alley in the rear, the iron bars of which were forced from their sockets and thrust aside by the thieves, and robbed of, among other things, thirteen new pistols. One of the clerks in the store suspecting that Wm. Davis, colored, who kept a blacksmith's shop on the side of the alley opposite the window through which the entrance had been effected, knew something of the robbery, went in his shop this morning and commenced talking about the theft that had been committed, when one of the hands employed there went off as though frightened. This behavior and other slight indications so strengthened his suspicions that application was at once made to Justice Padgett for a warrant authorizing a search of the premises of the suspected parties, and the warrant having been issued and put in the hands of police officer Webb, the house of Davis, on Water street, near Gibbon, on the old lime kiln lot, was ransacked, but nothing found that had apparently been stolen but a canister and keg of powder, which were discovered concealed under the stair steps. The offier was not satisfied, however, and, taking among a pile of oyster-shells close by, and soon came upon the leg of a pair of pantaloons in which were eleven of the stolen pistols. Davis and his two employees, Jim Wood and Henry Smith, also colored, were immediately arrested and committed to juil by Justice Padgett to await an indictment by the grand jury and trial by the Corporation Court. After the committment, officer Webb researched the premises and found the panta-loops to which the dissevered leg belonged. ago he was advised by an anonymous corres-pondent to have his cash ready for operations

FIREMEN'S PARADE.-Lieut. A. C. Kell, Chief Marshal of the Firemen's parade on the 23rd inst., has appointed the following named gentlemen as his Assistants: C. B. Barrett, Boyd M. Smith, R. M. Lawson, Thos. Addison, Samuel J. R. id, George R. Hill, Edward Hughes, M. B. Harlow, W. S. Watkins, R. D. Catts, Wm. Daingerfield and B. H. Lambert, who, as will be seen by an advertisement elsewhere in to-day's Gazatte, will meet tonight at the hall of the Hydraulion engine house to make necessary arrangements. It is now thought that in addition to the numerous other associations to be represented in the line of the procession, the Butchers' Associations of this city and Washington will agree to participate, and will have a prominent place assigned them. About thirty different associations and trades and four bands of music will be in the procession.

RIVER NEWS. - The schooner Wm. Henry, sold a few days ago to C. King for \$510, was found sunk in the Queen-street dock this morn-

The Potomac Ferry Company is replacing its floating wharf at King-street slip by a new and more substantial structure.

The steamer Pilot Boy, having had her bottom scraped in Baltimore, returned from that city yesterday, having touched at all her landings on her way back, and will resume her regular semi-weekly trips at once, leaving here, however, on Saturday, instead of Friday mornings, as heretofore.

The repairs to the ferry boat City of Washington have been almost completed, and she is expected to resume her trips in a day or two.

MR. TRIPP'S LECTURE last night, at the M. P. Church, on the Crimean War and Maximilian and Carlota, was most interesting and instructive, and the audience was highly delighted. Mr. T.'s next lecture on Lamartine, will be delivered at the same place on Friday night, and is said to be the finest of the course. No more agreeable evening can be spent than in listening to these lectures, and we would advise all who can, to go, as a greater intellectual repast has not been afforded our citizens for a long time.

FRESH HERRING.-A cargo of fresh fish, among them 4,300 fine fat herring, reached here last night from the mouth of the river and sold at \$30 per thousand. They were bought by dealers here and can be had at the fish benches of Messrs. Jas. Grimes and J. W. Henderson, in the market. Finer herring we have hardly ever seen in the height of the

A FINE HORSE.-We learn from the Loudoun Mirror that Messrs. H. C. Sellman and Henry J. Fadely, of Leesburg, returned on Tuesday, from the celebrated stables of A. T. Alexander, of Kentucky, bringing with them a beautiful serrell stallion, of Hamiltonian and Messenger blood. He was purchased at considerable cost.

FIRE.—The dwelling house of Mrs. Elizabeth Hunter, a few miles below Acokeck, was destroyed by fire on Tuesday evening last. The fire originated from sparks from the straw around the ice house, which had been ignited by a burning chunck thoughtlessly thrown down by a colored boy. Most of the furniture and the outbuildings were saved.

THE FRIENDS' QUARTERLY MEETING at Waterford, Loudoun county, on Sunday last, was largely attended. Discourses were delivered by Samuel M. Janney, Chalkley Gillingham, of Alexandria, and a female member of the Society.

NEW BANK, -It will be seen that a bill has been introduced in the State Senate, by Mr. Thomas, for the incorporation of the Bank of Potomac and Save Deposite Company of this

POLICE EFFORT.-William Davis, a blacksmith, and Jim Wood and Henry Smith, his assistants, all colored, for robbing the store of Preitus & Co., were committed to jail by Justice

l'adgett for court
John Henry Stuart, colored, for stealing bacon from J. W. Baggett, was put on the chain
gang for thirty days by the same justice. Hester Wansey and Fanny Shelton, colored, for disorderly conduct and fighting, were discharged with a reprimand.

Silas Harris, Thornt in Butler and Jim Hender-on, colored boys, for pilfering from the cook shop of Phyllis Lyles, colored, were locked up for examination.

Three lodgers were accommodated at the Station House last night.

COMMERCIAL.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET, Feb. 19 .- Wheat is in fair receipt, and the market is a shade firmer; offerings of 1670 busbels, with sales of red at 158 165 and 170 for good to prime, and 172 for a strictly prime sample. Receipts of Corn are large, and the market has suffered a decline of movement of Columbus. le; offerings of 4920 bushels, with sales of white at 70, mixed at 65, 66, 67, 68 and 70, and yellow at 67 and 68. Oats are unchanged; sales at 55, with offerings of 450 bushels.

Steamer Lady of the Lake, Norfolk, by F A Schr G C A Travers, Richmond, by Hampshire and Baltimore Coal Co.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE GAZETTE.]

FROM WASHINGTON.

CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, February 19, 1874. The Senate, to-day, was engaged, after the reception of memorials, in a discussion of the resolution for the appointment of a committee to investigate the results of the liquor traffic. The bill for equalizing the National Bank circulation was then taken up.

The House of Representatives was occupied in hearing reports from the committees-mainly from the Committee on Postoffices and Post

THE ALEXANDRIA POSTOFFICE. No appointment will be made to fill the vacancy in the Alexandria postoffice until after the return of the Postmaster General, who is now absent from the city. He will not return before to-morrow.

In answer to an interrogatory, made yesterday, the President stated that he had not yet a shovel in his hands, commenced digging determined who to appoint to the postoffice at Alexandria.

The Stock Trick.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.-A. D. C. McKay, the speculator in stocks, reported to have made \$50,000 owing to the forged letters sent to the Stock Exchange on Tuesday, but who says he only made \$7,000, has appeared before the governing committee. He says two months at a moment's notice whereby he might realize heavily, and that on the morning of the day on which the forged letters were sent into the Exchange, he received two letters asking him to call at the St. Nicholas Bank without delay. He called and met a young man who informed him of a proposed increase of stock of the Western Union and Toledo, Wabash and Western roads, saying he had seen letters of the presidents of those companies addressed to Wheelock. McKay hurried to the Exchange, gave a small order to his broker, and when he saw the letters handed in he gave other orders, making about \$7,000. He is now assisting the governing committee to detect the forger.

The Monitor Dictator.

NEW YORK, Fob. 19 .-- A dispatch from Florida Bay of yesterday says the Brooklyn and Wachusett would leave to-day to search for the missing iron-clad Dictator and that measures were being taken for a cruise along the coast to find her. The Frolic has sailed from Portsmouth for the same purpose. The same dispatch says, the steamer Dispatch, which left for Havana Tuesday on account of reports that Consul General Hall had been obliged to fly from a Spanish mob in Havana and take refuse upon a British iron-clad, has not yet re-

KEY WEST, Feb. 19---10 o'clock a. m .-- The monitor Dictator, for the safety of which much fear has been entertained, has just arrived in sight and is coming into the harbor.

Murderer's Confession.

ATCHISON, Ks., Feb. 19.-J. W. McNutt. one of the parties implicated in the murder of ary and increase their own salaries far beyond a man named Seaver at Wichita, Ks., a short time ago, was arrested Tuesday in Missouri and taken to Wichita. Yesterday he made a confession. The object of the muder was to secure a \$5,000 insurance policy on McNutt's life by having the body of the murdered man identified as that of McNutt. The murderer confesses that he and one Winnie, his accomplice, enticed Seaver from Kansas City, drugged him with laudanum, bound cords tightly around his body, saturated his clothing with kerosene and then fired the building, burning the unfortunate man to a crisp. The populace of Wichita are much excited and there is danger of summary vengeance being visited upon the murderers.

The British Cabinet.

LONDON, Feb. 19 .- The Times says the Earl of Derby is to receive the portfolio of Secretary of State for the Foreign Department, and the Marquis of Salisbury, that of Secretary of State

for India. It is probable that Disraeli will complete his cabinet by to-night. It is said the Marquis of Westminster is to

be made a Duke.

Raptist Missionary Union. NEW YORK, Feb. 19.-The American Baptist Missionary Union requires annually \$250,-000, to carry on the work of the society, but during the current fiscal year, which ends in April, only \$105,000 have been contributed. The deficit is attributed to the panic.

Financial. London, Feb. 19-3:30 p. m.--The bullion in the Bank of England has increased £273,000

during the past week. The proportion of bank reserve to liabilities, which was last week 46% per cent. is now 48%.

Bond Given.

MOBILE, ALA., Feb. 19.—Charles B. Wallace has been here and has just given an appeal bond to the Supreme Court of the United States in the Alabama and Chattanooga railroad case for final adjudication.

Sentenced.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.-John E. Simmons, who was convicted of manslaughter in the third degree for killing Nicholas Duryea, was to day sentenced to three years and six months

in the State prison with hard labor.

Sentenced to be Hanged. ALBANY, Feb. 19 .- The jury in the case of Lomenstein, the murderer of Weston, rendered a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, and he was sentenced to be hanged on the 10th

of April. Withdrawal of His Resignation

NEW YORK, Feb. 19 .-- A Boston dispatch says Judge Russell yesterday telegraphed to President Grant the withdrawal of his resignation of the Collectorship.

Strike.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19.-Four hundred men in Porter & Dickey's cotton works at Kensington have struck for an advance of 15 per cent. over the rates adopted during the panic.

The Temperance Movement.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 19 .-- A call has been made for a convention of friends of the temperance

The Markets.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Stocks dull. Money 4. Gold 123. Flour quiet and steady. Wheat quiet and unchanged. Corn dull and unchanged. Rye dull. Hay unchanged.

Weather Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19, 11 a. m. For the Middle States, southeast to south-west winds, rising temperature, cloud and west winds, rising temperature, cloud and snow. For the South Atlantic States, northerly winds veer to southeast with cloudy weather and rising temperature.

I ANDKERCHIEFS—A large assortment of Bandkerchiefs: great bargains; at w. N. BERKLEY'S.

PRIME COD FISH and No. 1 Mackerel for sale by [feb 19] J. C. MILBURN.

MALL MARYLAND HAMS for sale by feb 19

J. C. MILBURN. CARPETS! CARPETS! west winds, rising temperature States, northerstyles and colors, received this morning. D. F. WITMER CO. | and rising tempera ure.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Judge Lowe of the Corporation Court issued an order yesterday by which all the male prisoners in the Corporation jail, serving terms of imprisonment were put on the chain gang, and taken out to work on the streets this morning. The gang was therefore considerably reinforced to day, and the streets embraced in the route of the proposed firemen's procession are being of the proposed firemen's procession are being put in good condition by the labor of its members.

The sale of Mr. Pierpoint's drug store to Mr. Warfield, heretofore noticed, has not been consummented and the negatiations, that were

consummated, and the negotiations that were in progress to secure that effect have been suspended, though the store is still for sale.

Yesterday evening a wagon belonging to Mr. Ferd. Knight, and this afternoon one belonging to Mr. John Mason, of Accotink, were smashed in the streets by the running away of the horses attached to them.

The grocery store of Mrs. White, on Water street, near the corner of Wolle, was broken into one night last week and robbed of the greater part of its contents.

Mr. B. H. Jenkins who obtained the contract for building the fish shed in the market square commenced work this morning and will have it completed by the 1st proximo.

Mrs. Judge Wylie, formerly of this city, broke her ankle accidentally in Washington The water has been turned off the Alexan-

dria canal. OPERATA TO NIGHT -- The arrangements for the production of this beautiful cantata this evening are nearly complete, and it will be produced at Sarepta Hall at So'clock to-night with all its beautiful scenery and mechanical effects.

COMMUNICATED.

Wholesale and Retail Liquor Taxes, In regard to which I would like to say a few words at this time, as liquors are already subjected to more taxes than they can well carry. Suppose you increase the wholesale or retail dealers' taxes, what will be the result? I say such legislation would be unwise in its policy, and one-sided in its effect, as it would lessen the number of dealers and force young merchants and beginners out of the business, letting the trade be controlled by capitalists and established houses enjoying a good trade. I say such a change as this (if made at all by the Finance Committee) would be agrarian and two-fold in its effect upon this business-as on the one hand it would force small dealers and beginners out of their legitimate occupation and means of subsistance, transferring the entire business to a monied few, thereby making our Packing House, on the Fish Wharf, fronta monopoly of it. I have no reference whatever to restaurants and ordinaries, bur only refer to the wholesale and retail business, and more especially to the latter, as the retail department is a portion of both the grocer and druggest's business, and ought not to be subjected to more taxes, as the amount already existing, tax s the business too much. Why not cut the judiciary and legislative department of the State down to one half, let the Judges be well paid, and the wise law makers be paid \$2.50 or \$3.00 per diem. It seems strange that legislators are tolerated who tax every department of trade beyond the capacity of the business to bear it, decrease the pay of the judici-

is so palpable that "those who run may read MERCHANT. CULPETER COUNTY, VA., Feb. 18.

TET ALL FISH received in this city, which have not been inspected in the State, are subject to inspection, and those offering them for sale without being inspected are subject to a line. W. A.

OHN STONE, on the Strand, near the Oyster Dock, will supply his customers with OYSTERS.

TERS, fresh from the shell, at 75c per gallon. STEWART, the inspector, can be found at the Give him a call. City Hotel at all times. feb 19-2t

Notice.-There will be a meeting of the new Board of Directors of the Alexandria Library Company, at the Library room, to-morrow (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock. A punctual and is prepared to furnish OYSTERS to all who full attendance is requested.

feb 19-td S. C. NEALE, President.

All Marshals that have been appointed to date (February 19 are requested to meet promptly this evening, at 8 o'c'ock, at the hall of the Hydraulion Sun Fire Engine Company for consultation.

ARTHUR C. KELL,
feb 19-1t

Chief Marshall.

meeting of the Columbia Fire Company will be neld at their hall this evening, at 71 o'clock. Punctual attendance is requested.
feb 19 1t George Uhler, Secretary. feb 19 1t

By Green & Wise.

[Real Estate Agents and Auctioneers.]

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF VALUABLE BRICK DWELLING AND LOTS OF GROUND-By virtue of a decree of the Corporation Court for the city of Alexandria, Corporation Court for the city of Alexandria, Virginia, rendered at its October term, 1873, in the suit of D. S. Gwin vs. D. S. Delaplane, the undersigned, commissioners therein named, will offer for sale, by public auction, on WEDNES-DAY, the 25th day of March, 1874, at twelve o'clock m., in front of the Market House, on Royal street, in the city of Alexandria, Va., the BRICK DWELLING and LOTS OF GROUND, situated on the west side of Fairfax street, between Prince and Duke sts., for a more particular description of which and any other information relative thereto apply to Green & Wise or the commissioners—subject to a deed of trust in favor of C. P. Shaw for a deed of trust in favor of C. P. Shaw for \$129121, with interest from February 4th, 1871.

Terms of Sale: \$2000 in cash, with interest from 25th day of December, 1873, and in addition enough to pay costs of suit and expenses of sale; a credit until the 25th day of December, 1874, as to \$323.75 of the purchase money, and as to the residue on such terms as D. S. Dela-

plane, the defendant in said suit, may agree to.
C. E. STUART, Comm'rs.
feb 19-ts GEO. WALKER. of sale.

KERVAND & TOWERS, LITHOGRAPHERS, ENGRAVERS, BOOK-SELLERS AND STATIONERS, BLANK BOOK MANUFACTURERS AND

BOOK BINDERS, 909, 928 and 930 Pennsylvania avenue,
WASHINGTON, D. C.
Maps, Certificates, Bonds, Cards, Show Cards,
Notes, Drafts, Checks, Wedding Invitations and
Druggist Labels. Washington, feb 19-2w

W ISTAR'S BALSAM WILD CHERRY, Opium, Pierce's Pellets, Flagg's Relief, Pure English Mustard, Hops, Natmegs, Bleached Jamaica Ginger, Cream Tartar, Tarrant's Aperient, &c., just received by feb 19 HENRY COOK & CO.

PURE OLD RYE WHISKEY-We have just received a supply of very superior ten-year old Pure Rye Whiskey, unequalled for medicinal purposes. HRNRY COOK & CO.,

107 King street. · HOICE SMOKED BEEF, for chipping and broiling, in store and for sale by WM. F. BROOKES, 147 King street.

G FO. R. HILL'S BREAK FAST HOMINY, put up in packages expressly for family use, for sale at 147 King street.

W. M. F. BROOKES.

W HISKS! WHISKS! WHISKS!—A prime lot for sale by C. S. TAYLOR, Jr., feb 19 No. 6 Prince street. BROOMS! BROOMS! BROOMS! of all kinds and sizes, for sale by C. S TAYLOR, Jr.

BROOM HANDLES, Wire and Twine for sale by CHAS, S. TAYLOR, Jr, feb 19 No. 6 Prince street. TRISH LINENS-Richardson's best make

igust received by

AMUSE.MENTS.

PROGRAMME OF THE GRAND OPERATA. "SCENES IN FAIRY LAND."
AT SAREPTA HALL, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19th, 1874.
SCENE 1st—Overture, Orchestra; Chorus,

Sister Elves, it is the hour; clock strikes 12; sudden appearance of Hobgob'in; Grand Spectacular Tab'eau, "Midnight."

SCENE 2—Grand March of Elois and Carnival of the Elois. val of the Fairies; the May Pole scene; 'Round

tree of King and Queen of Fairies, with the Fairies and their attendants; Chorus, Hail, all hail; Song, Good Fairies all, Fairy King; Song, Swiftly gliding here and there, Fairy Queen; Chorus, Hail, all hail; Song, Where the lights of home are beaming, Fairy Cricket; Grand Tableau; Old Fashioned Fireside; Chorus, Home, sweet home; Song, I'm the life of the young and the old, Fairy Fun; Grand Tableau; Winter Scene; Song, Though homes be dark and poor, Earry Content; Grand Tableau: The Happy Farry Content; Grand Tableau; The Happy Fairy Content; Grand Tableau; The Happy Family; Song, The loving charms of home I cast, Fairy True Heart; Grand Tableau, with song; The Golden Wedding; Song, Up and down the world so weary, Fairy Goodwill; Grand Tableau; The Christmas Tree; Christmas Carol, O, hark from angels far away; Song, Our kindest thanks to an and all. Fairy King and kindest thanks to one and all, Fairy King and Queen; The crowning of Fairles Goodwill and Content; Duet, Now all our Sov'reign will obey, Fairy King and Queen; Finale, Good night to feb 18-td

METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH,
Washington street,
ON THE EVENINGS OF TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, February 17th, 18th, and 20th, beginning at 8 o'clock. PROF. TRIPP'S GRAND DESCRIPTIVE

SERIES-THREE LECTURES. Louis Napoleon; the Second Empire; and the Causes of the Franco Prussian War, or Lamar-

Course ticket \$1; evening 50c; gentleman and lady 75c—may be produced at the bookstore of George E. French, 95 King street, and at the door. feb 16-5t

WMATED. 1000 EMPTY COAL OIL BARRELS wanted by C. S. TAYLOR, Jr., 6 Prince street.

WANTED-GOOD BROOM CORN. C. S. TAYLOR, Jr., 6 Prince street. W ANTED-A quantity of WHITE OAK and HICKORY POLES 14 feet long. jy 15 F. A. REED, Agent.

OYSTER AND FISH DEALERS. TOTICE OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.

We, the undersigned, have formed a co-part neish p for the purpose of conflucting the FISH BUSINESS, in all its branches, under the name and style of J. S. COGSWILL & CO. We ing on Union street. All orders sent to us will

receive prompt attention.

J. S. COGSWILL,
J. G. GRIMES,
JOHN W. HENDERSON,
feb 13-3m JOHN W. TRAVERS.

C O P A R T N E R S H I P The undersi ned have this day formed a co partnersip under the name and firm of W. A. JOHNSON & CO.,

for the purpose of conducting the POTOMAC FISH BUSINESS in all its branches, at the old stand of W. A. Johnson, Fish wharf, and all orders entrusted to them will receive the r special attention. Their well known reputation in the above busthe capacity of the State. Indeed, this matter who may depend on getting what they order. is a palrable that "those who run may read W. A. JOHNSON.

W. JAVINS. W. H. SMITH. G. E. PRICE. feb 9-3m

OYSTERS.

jy 15

JOHN S. COGSWILL, may desire them. All orders from the country will receive prompt attention.

AUCTION SALES.

TRU-TEE'S SALE-By virtue of a deed of trust from Aaron E. Banks to the undersigned, bearing date December 31, 1870, and of record on the land records of Fairiax county, book M, No. 4, page 86, 1 shall, on MONDAY, the 16th day of March, 1874, Court day, in front of the door of Fairiax Court House, at twelve o'clock m, sell to the highest bidder, at public sale, all that TRACT OF LAND conveyed by said deed containing TWO HUNDRED AND saie, all that TRACT OF LAND conveyed by said deed, containing TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY-TWO ACRES. This land lies in the counties of Loadoun and Fairiax, near Herndon station, on the Washington and Ohio Railroad, and adjoins the land of K. C. Newman, Hight Sears and others. The undersigned will take pleasure in showing the land to those desiring to

purchase. Terms of Sale: Enough cash in hand to pay expenses of sale and the note due of \$476, with interest from 1st January, 1873, on \$952; and the sum of \$476, with interest from the day of sale, to fall due 1st January, 1875, and the residue payable on 1st January, 1876, with like interest; the deferred payments to be secured by lien on the property sold. Costs of conveyance to be

paid by the purchaser. R. C. NEWMAN, Trustee. Fairfax county, feb 13-wts

DEDICATORY CEREMONIES. ALEXANDRIA WASHINGTON LODGE. MASONIC TEMPLE.

The ceremonies will be conducted by W. H. Lambert, esq., Grand Master, assisted by P. M. Gen. Albert Pike, and others, on MONDAY, February 23d, 1874. Master Masons in good standing wishing to participate can procure tickets to the banquet on application to Geo. W. Rock B. H. Lambert, jr., and J. T. Beckham, committee of arrangements and reception, up to Saturday morning.

AMMIDON & CO.,

QUEENSWARE, GLASSWARE, LAMPS & CHANDELIERS, 347 Baltimore and 60 German sts.,

Baltimore, jan 21-2m J UST RECEIVED-Prime Messina Oranges and Lemons, New York Butter, Durand's Olive O'l, Boneless Codfish, Colman's Scotch

Oat Meal, Baker's No. 1 Chocolate, Smoked Bloaters and Eagle brand Condensed Milk; also another lot of cheap Sugars. GEO. McBURNEY & SON, 166 and 170 King street. DALMER'S JACQUELINE CORSETS.

Just opened another assortment of numbers of the above Corsets These goods are new to this market, but all who have tried them have been D. F. WITMER CO., pleased.

Agents for Alexandria. feb 17 KID GLOVES! KID GLOVES! GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE AND HAIR

GOODS MANUFACTORY.
Two-button Kid Gloves; only one dollar.
feb 17 CHARLES W. GREEN. T ANDRETH'S GARDEN SEEDS-We have this day received our second supply of Landreth's Garden Seeds, which we can guarantee to be fresh and genuine.
HENRY COOK & CO.,

TABLE DIAPERS, Damesk and Common, ▲ Chequered do., Towels, Russia Diapers and Crash, very cheap at 1et 7 WM. N. BERKLEY'S. BED BLANKETS-Bel Blankets at cost at feb 19 W. N. BERKLEY'S.

107 King street.

No. 72 Union street, J. C. MILBURN. | Cannot be surpassed. Buy it.

FERTILIZERS.

FARMERS! TMPORTANT ONLY \$40 A TON.

GUANAHANI, AN IMPORTED NATURAL GUANO!

A GENUINE ANIMAL DEPOSIT.

Imported only by the

GUANAHANI GUANO COMPANY, PETERSBURG, VA.

(The Company guarantees that every cargo will be analyzed before it is offered for sale.) [Letter of Professor P. B. Wilson, late Assistant of Baron J. Von Liebig.]
CHEMICAL LABORATORY OF PROF. P. B. WILSON, No. 30 Second street,
Baltimore, December 1st, 1873.

Baltimore, December 1st, 1873.

Maj. N. M. TANNOR, President Guanahani Guano Co., Petersburg, Va.

Dear Sir: I have drawn samples of the Guano, as it has arrived in cargo lots, and find it exceedingly uniform in the amount of Phosphoric Acid it contains, namely, from 15 to 19 per cent. This is combined with Lime, and is of Animal Origin, and readily assimilable by plants. It contains potential Ammonia and Nitric Acid, having a combined Nitrogen value equal to from 2 to 3 per cent of Ammonia, with the alkalies Potash and Sods, and valuable proportions of Sulphate of Lime. The whole forming a very desirable combination for all crops, and when applied to land, the group receiving proper tillage, must, in r.y. opinion, give as good results as any Guano offered the crop receiving proper tillage, must, in my opinion, give as good results as any Guano offered

to the farmer.

Being of Animal Origin, the organic matter has undergone partial decomposition, and it necessarily contains a valuable amount of HUMUS, which makes its fertilizing power much greater than fertilizers which are compounded largely of Peruvian Guano, which, beyond its Ammonia and small phosphatic value, has little or no power in absorbing from the atmosphere and retaining in the soil the moveable elements absorbed by moisture and brought down by the rains, as the Guano you are now placing upon the market. All of the components of this Guano are very soluble in the soil, and possess such physical properties as to render it at all times and under all circumstances as immediately available plant food.

The late samples you sent me for analysis, from the deposit which you inform me you intend to ship from, show a decrease in phosphatic value, but a large increase in its Nitrogen compounds. I think, however, from previous observations of cargoes, that you may reasonably expect, that cargoes taken from where these samples were drawn, will materially improve in the saline compounds. (Phosphates Albeits and Managers) pounds, (Phosphates, Alkalies and Magnesia.)
Respectfully, &c.,
P. B. WILSON, Analytical and Consulting Chemist.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, West Philadelphia, Dec. 19, 1873. Maj. N. M. TANNOR, Petersburg, Va.

Maj. N. M. TANNOR, Petersburg, Va.

I'ear Sir: In compliance with your request, I have analyzed sample of "Guanahani Guano" and have made additional examination of an average sample from a lot of 300 tons, the result of which I beg to embrace in the following: The Guano is a brownish powder, with lumps of combinations of Lime with Carbonic, Phosphoric and Nitric Acids. It contains a considerable quantity of water, (about 20 per cent) and when dried, is a paler brown powder. The Guano is evidently of animal origin, and the minute bones, which were discovered in the same, indicate that it is the result of the decay of bats, mice, etc. The quantity of organic matter, which is still present, is about 12 per cent, and this yields about 22 per cent of Ammonia. A portion of the Nitrogen is present, as Nitric void, of which about 3 per cent were found. All the Nitrogen present would be equivalent to about 3½ per cent of Ammonia. The Phosphoric Acid in the Guano averaged about 12½ per cent, equal to 27.3 per cent of Bone Phosphate. A considerable quantity of the about 121 per cent, equal to 27 3 per cent of Bone Phosphate. A considerable quantity of the Phosphoric Acid, however, is present, as so-called neutral Phosphate of Lime which, being slightly soluble in water, renders the Guano as quick in its action, as a corresponding quantity of Super-Phosphate would do. The small percentage of potash, which was found in the analysis, adds to its value.

From all the experiments which I have made of the Guanahani Guano, no doubt can exist that tis valuable manure. Yours truly. it is valuable manure. Yours truly,

[Letter from Ex-Governor Smith.] WARRENTON, VA., August 4th, 1873. Dear Sir: The extraordinary character of the season—a rain almost every day—puts it woolly out of my power to form an estimate of your Guano. The crops of corn and rutabagas, to which it was applied, look very fine. Yours truly, WM. SMITH.

BETHEL ACADEMY, FAUQUIER CO, VA., July 24th, 1873. Dear Sir: I used your Guano on my wheat last fall, and am highly pleased with it. Think it is as good as the high priced Guanos. I have a good paying crop of wheat, and the best stand of grass I ever had, and this is the opinion of those who have seen both, notwithstanding the unfavorable winter and early spring. I shall use it again this fall. Yours, BENJ. F. SMITH.

[This crop of wheat, 28 bushels to the acre, was noticed in the Warrenton and Aiexandria parameters the first transit in Market account.] pers as the finest crop in Mr. Smith's county.]

WARRENTON, VA., July 17th, 1873.
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LEWIS SHUMATE.

BROAD RUN STATION, FAUQUIER CO., VA., Dec. 4, 1873. Dear Sir: I left one row without your fertilizer, and used it on the next row. I used at the rate of 200 pounds to the acre. I had the corn carefully gathered separate, and found the result as follows: From the Guano row I shelled one bushel and nearly a half gallon; from the row without Guano I got a half bushel and not quite a quart; making fully double where I used Guano. The growth of stalk was not proportionately heavy—the strength seemed to go to the grain. I think it an excellent Spring fertilizer. The land I tried it on was quite thin. Yours, A. D. SMITH.

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The renter will be required to furnish mate-

The rentor will be required to furnish material for and put down platforms sufficient to accommodate the trade.

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